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U. S. Deputy Punished for Finding CIA Office

A sixth deputy United States marshal has been punished by United States Marshal Joseph N. Tierney. The aid stumbled into the ultra secret office of the Central Intelligence agency here while trying to trace the origin of a disturbing noise in the new Federal building.

Unlike five other deputies whose penalties have been described as politically inspired, Eric Doneson was not suspended but may lose as much as \$750 in pay raises over the next 2 years.

Obtains a Passkey

Doneson, while assigned to the court of Judge Abraham L. Marovitz, obtained a passkey from a janitor after the judge ordered him to determine the location of a loud hammering noise. Doneson used the key to open an unmarked door and

discovered CIA agents fixing up their offices.

The deputy marshal was not authorized to have the passkey.

Tierney said yesterday "politics was not involved" in the suspensions of the other five deputies, all Republicans. He said Chief United States Marshal James P. McShane in Washington ordered the penalties on his recommendations.

List Suspended Aids

The suspended deputies are Charles Timm, Herbert Lowe, Arthur Wilson, Robert Phillips, and Robert Soderstrom. All were hired between 1952 and 1960 by the late United States Marshal W. W. Kipp Sr., a Republican.

Timm, suspended for 15 days, was charged with returning late from a mission to Seattle. He said he had worked for 19 straight hours and missed his Chicago flight when an airport employe failed to awaken him from a nap.

Lowe and Wilson drew 20-day suspensions for falsifying their daily work log. Phillips was suspended for 15 days for taking handcuffs off one hand of a prisoner en route to prison to permit him to eat.

Escape by Prisoner

Soderstrom's 20-day suspension grew out of a charge of negligence in permitting a prisoner to escape.

All men have 10 days to appeal the penalties.

Tierney denied that any of the men were in line for a promotion which would bring a \$1,000-a-year pay hike.

Deputies begin with a salary of \$5,500 a year. Increases in grade and salary, according to Tierney, are made on the basis of seniority and his recommendation.

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